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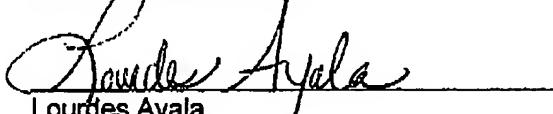
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed February 24, 2006 that made restriction and election of species requirements. Applicants were requested to elect one of seven designated groups.

In response to these requirements, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group VII, claims 1-15 drawn to a process for producing ethanol, SEQ ID NO: 7. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file continuing applications directed to the nonelected subject matter.

The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if there are any questions concerning this response or application.

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